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The Church and Field.

R. Z. Replogle reports several accessions to the church at Johnstown, Pa.

J. D. McFaden was holding meetings at Fair Play, Md., when last heard from, with success.

We received a postal order from Centerville, Mo., without a name. Will the sender please give his name.

We expect to be able soon to publish an interesting article from the pen of brother S. H. Bashor.

David Richasay is hereby informed that the reason his business was not attended to, is because he did not give his post-office address.

There were ten added to the North Liberty church, when we last heard from there and the meetings are still going on.

Bro. Swihart has arrived, by way of reinforcement to brother Mallott, at North Liberty, Ohio, and the church there is undergoing a revival that will endure.

Our correspondents will please notice that items for church news should be sent to this office by Saturday of each week, to insure insertion in the following week's issue.

We have a subscription for the EVANGELIST awaiting the address of the Danish sister we referred to in last week's paper. Will some one please give us her full name and present address?

Sister Anna Arnold took Ashland by surprise in coming from her home in Kansas, without giving notice, to finish her course at the College. Anna is a valuable acquisition to the school and church at Ashland.

Margaret Cain from Salem Oregon, writes us that if every body liked the EVANGELIST as well as she does, we would get a large list of subscribers. She says there is no Brethren church at that place, but thinks it would be a good place to plant the standard of the Gospel.

Miss Etta Basore left the Boarding Hall last Saturday, where she had been a faithful servant for the last several months, to enter a field of duty at her home in Perry county, O. The folks at the Hall and Etta were mutually sorry to part, but circumstances would not have it otherwise.

Elder H. R. Holsinger has been suffering severely during last week with ulcerated sore mouth. He is improving now and we do hope he will recover from his affliction of many boils from which he has suffered so much during the past year, and of which his present affliction is a part. He is needed in the field with a healthy mouth, full of wisdom, and we hope he can so enter it before many days.

Bro. Ditch, of Stark county, Ohio, left Ashland last Saturday morning, for his home, and will teach a village school. He will pursue the few remaining studies requisite to complete his course, while teaching, and will be prepared to graduate at the close of the year. Bro. Ditch has been a very industrious and exemplary student and very faithful in his religious duties, and we bespeak for him a prosperous future.

We printed three days ahead of time last week; this will give a reason for the scarcity of church news.

Sarah Crow sends us money to pay arrears, says she is a member of the German Baptist church but does not tell us the name of her Post Office. Will she please give us this necessary information.

Elder John Nicholson writes us from Marshalltown, Iowa, under date of March 27th, that he was then on his way to hold a series of meetings at Brooklyn, Iowa. He wants to give notice that he cannot make any new engagements for meeting before April 18th. We hope to record good news from brother Nicholson's evangelistic labors.

Sister Laura Slotter, of Columbiana, Ohio, sends us eight subscribers for the remainder of this year, with eight dollars enclosed to pay for them. And this is but a sample of her work. Sister Slotter lives in a town where there is no organized Brethren church, and her success shows what an energetic sister, filled with love and zeal for the cause may accomplish even under unfavorable circumstances.

AURELIA, IOWA, March 25.—The series of meetings that Bro. S. H. Bashor held here is among the things of the past. The roads not being very good, we did not always have large congregations, but the interest generally was good. Two were received by letter. Bro. Bashor promised to come back here again. About the 10th of April we will meet to organize our Sunday school. S. B. REIST.

MAURERTOWN, VA.—On the 25th inst. we met for organization at Tom's Brook school house. Thirty-four were present, who united on the Gospel alone; six of this number were deacons in the German Baptist church. We trust this little band may sail clear from commandments of men, following no man but Christ. E. B. SHAVER.

HUNTINGDON, IND., March 30.—Bro. Wm. W. Summers came to us on the eve of the 10th inst., and remained until the eve of the 27th. He labored with his usual zeal for the cause of his Master. As an immediate result twelve came out on the side of the Lord, most of whom are in the prime of life. Thus the good work moves on, and may those almost persuaded, pray earnestly for grace that they may overcome all obstacles and cast their lot with us and labor in one common cause. Brethren, let us labor. Watch and pray and good results are sure to follow. R. K. BINKLEY.

LOUISVILLE, O.—While I am deprived of the privilege of meeting with the brethren and sisters in the church, I am not denied the privilege of reading the sermons which are preached to us through the EVANGELIST wherewith I can console myself, and I am very much benefitted by them, especially those sermons that are written by ministers whom I have seen and heard preach. I can imagine them in the pulpit preaching to us, and when I have read all, I feel much encouraged and strengthened. I feel like going on in the good work, trying to do more and better every day of my life, for when

I look over days that are past and think how little I have done for the good cause, it causes me to wish for a long life, so that I may yet do a great deal of good in this world before I shall have to leave it. Oh, how often we do come short of the duties of Christian life; for although the spirit is willing the flesh is weak. As we are surrounded with all manner of vain and worldly things is requires watching and praying lest we be led into temptation before we are aware of it. Then brethren and sisters, let us not become weary in well-doing but let us try to so live that when we are weighed in the balances that we are not found wanting. That we may one day all meet at home, is my prayer. Brethren, pray for me that I may prove faithful. MRS. C. CLAPPER.

TERRA ALTA, W. VA., March 30.—A number of brethren and sisters met in the Brethren church of Cheat River congregation, for the purpose of effecting an organization to be known as the Brethren's Sunday School Association. Elder S. W. Wilt was elected President; Elder C. E. Glenn, Vice President, Elder J. M. Freeland, Treasurer, C. F. Beatty, Clerk. It was agreed to hold our first convention at Terra Alta, Preston county, W. Va., in October, 1885. Brethren throughout W. Va., are called upon to make a note of this,—give their influence and support in behalf of the cause. Correspondence addressed to any of the afore-named parties will receive prompt attention. C. F. BEATTY.

HUTTONS SWITCH, MD., March 27, 1885.—Please say to the many readers of your paper that we commenced a protracted effort March 7th with the Brethren at what is known as Woodland or Nordic appointment in Preston county, West Virginia, and continued until the evening of the 25th inst. Congregations were good and attention excellent. As an immediate result of our labors, four were added to the church by relation, and nine others were led down into the water and were buried in baptism, as Christ gave command and arose to walk in newness of life. Others were almost persuaded. We shall long remember our brethren and sisters there; also the many Christian friends we met. We return our thanks to all for kindness shown, and the substantial gifts we received. May the blessings of God rest upon all. S. W. WILT.

EDNA MILLS, IND.—Our meetings at Pleasant Hill have closed with eleven additions. Five were baptized and six were added by relation. Could the meetings have continued we believe many more would have united. A little over one year ago, we secured the service of brother J. H. Swihart to come to preach a few sermons, which resulted in six standing up for the Gospel platform. For a while, B. L. Gordon preached for us once a month. Last September Elder Swihart came again and gave us another revival meeting and some thirty united with the church; and then we secured his services to preach regularly for us. He moved his family to Edna Mills, at which time we organized with forty-six members. We now number sixty-

seven, with good prospects for more. We feel much encouraged and are made to say, "God is for us; who can be against us?" Our place of regular worship is at Edna Mills.

Elder Swihart is in Ohio holding a series of meetings. May God bless his labors.

Bro. D. B. Gibson came here on March 7th, and preached three sermons, then took sick and had to go home. He had symptoms of lung fever. Hope he has recovered again. We expect him back sometime this spring. Would like to hear from brother Gibson through the EVANGELIST. J. B. METZER.

PAINTERVILLE, PA., March 28, 1885.—Enclosed please find a few names for the EVANGELIST; would have been pleased to send you a larger list; but in consequence of things around being iron-clad, we must let this suffice for the present, hoping for better results in the future. The enemy is apace and in the rear, but fortunately we have an instrument with two edges which will cut backward and forward; knows no length or breadth, height or depth, and if properly used will be more than a match for all that may come against us. Our little church in this place, which was organized in January last is getting along nicely. With all the missiles hurled, it is still on the advance.

Would be pleased, and further do request of any Brethren traveling through Mifflin Co., Pa., to give us a call; especially those in the ministry; a call of that kind would be highly appreciated. JOSIAH BRINDLE.

AUBURN, ILL.—In looking over the EVANGELIST I see so many good letters from our dear brethren and sisters, that I have been impressed with the thought, whether I was doing my duty or not. I read the EVANGELIST regularly and like it very well. I think it is the best paper I ever read.

I feel happy to say that I have joined in with the Brethren Church, and I feel as though I, too, have a work to do. I thank the Giver of all good for the blessings which I have received. How thankful we ought to be to our Heavenly Father for the promises he has given us, if we will only accept of his dear Son. It always makes me feel glad to see sinners turn to Christ.

We have preaching here at Auburn every four weeks, by brother Swihart. We have at present four candidates for baptism, who will, I think, be baptized at our next meeting. On the 29th we organized a union Sabbath school, the Christian church and the Brethren. I hope it will be a success. ROSE I. KIMMEL.

JOHNSTOWN, PA., March 28, 1885.—I am happy to inform you that the good work predicted, and for which we prayed, has begun, and yesterday at two o'clock we baptized two sisters one of whom was my own daughter, aged fifteen, who passed safely through a stage of typhoid fever with her mother last fall, and whose unconverted state then gave me much uneasiness. God grant that she and sister Ella Blough—they were both named Ella—may adorn their profession and be prepared for whatever affliction may come, and that oth-

ers may follow in making the good profession and that we may all together live for heaven. Will continue as success and interest warrant. R. Z. REPROGLE.

LATER—We are still continuing our meetings, and will over Easter. We have baptized three, and am confident of further success by the blessing of God. R.

From California.

We are still trying to hold the fort but are not accomplishing very much in aggressive work. On the 26th of February we commenced a protracted meeting at Ripon and closed on the evening of March 8th. The attendance was not large, but there was a good interest, and we had very pleasant meetings. The members were refreshed, and we hope that the good seed did not fall by the wayside. Some, no doubt, fell among thorns, as there is much of this kind of soil in California. To-morrow, Bro. J. P. Wolfe, sisters Wolfe and Beer, and myself, are starting on a mission of love and labor to Marsh Creek, Byron and Altamont. When we return we will report, and we hope to have some good news. It cheers us to read the reports of the different churches of our beloved brotherhood, as they appear in the EVANGELIST. They bring before us many familiar faces and places, and cause us to rejoice on account of our general prosperity and the abundant outpouring of God's spirit in particular localities. The results indicate that a general convention was not as necessary as many seemed to think. Let every one perform his whole duty, looking to Jesus, and the Lord will bless and prosper the work. When a general convention becomes necessary, the need will be seen more clearly and felt more keenly than now. For the present the EVANGELIST is all we need. J. W. BEER.

Lathrop, Cal., March 20, 1885.

Secret prayer is to the Christian what winding is to a clock? Oh how many Christians run down.

MARRIED.

GISH—CURTIS.—At the residence of Mr. N. D. Curtis, Bourbon county, Kansas, on March 18th, by Elder A. J. Hixson, Mr. Jas. W. Gish and Miss Dora M. Curtis. A. J. HIXSON.

STAHL—WALKER.—On Tuesday, March, 24, 1885, at the residence of Chancy Glass by Rev. John H. Knepper, Mr. Harvey G. Stahl to Miss Susan Idella Walker, both of Pine Hill, Somerset county, Pennsylvania.

LANDIS—SHOBER.—On Sunday, March 29, 1885, by Rev. John H. Knepper, Bro. Cyrus Wesley Landis, to Miss Exemena Virginia Shober, both of Berlin, Somerset county Pennsylvania.

DIED.

In the Stony Creek congregation, Somerset, Co., Pa., sister Vida M. Kimmel, wife of brother Joseph L. Kimmel, aged 26 years, 8 months and 21 days. Her husband and four small children, the one a babe of twelve days, mourn their loss, but they mourn not as those having no hope. "She sleeps in Jesus." We laid her remains to rest in the "Home" Church Cemetery in the presence of a very large concourse of relatives and friends. We feel safe in saying that brother Kimmel and family have the sympathy of the entire community in this their great affliction. May He, who can all our sorrows heal, be their stay and comfort, is our prayer. Sister Kimmel was the first person baptized by the writer. Funeral services by the writer on 1 Thessalonians 4:14. JOHN H. KNEPPER. Berlin, Pa., April 3, 1885.